NORTH DAKOTA DECEMBER 1 POTATO STOCKS AND ACREAGE BY VARIETY

FARGO, ND, December 17, 2015 – North Dakota growers, dealers, and processors held 19.5 million hundredweight (cwt) of potatoes in storage on December 1, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Current stocks represent 71.7 percent of the production. Total stocks are defined as all potatoes on hand, regardless of use, including those that will be lost through future shrinkage and dumping.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service collects variety data in seven States, accounting for 82 percent of the 2015 United States fall potato planted acres. The seven States conduct objective yield surveys where all producing areas are sampled in proportion to planted acreage. Variety data are actual percentages from these surveys.

In North Dakota, the following varieties accounted for 10 percent or more of acres planted in 2015. Russet Burbank variety accounted for 35.6 percent of potato acreage planted. This was followed by Prospect at 11.8 percent of plantings, and Umatilla at 10.0 percent.

Access the National publication for the Potato Stocks release at:
http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/PotaStoc/2010s/2015/PotaStoc-12-17-2015.pdf

Access the National publication for the Potato Varieties Planted release at:
http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd//2010s/2015/CropProd-12-09-2015.pdf

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